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ARREST MADE IN ARSON INVESTIGATION

SACRAMENTO—Special Agent in Charge Keith Slotter, Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), and United States Attorney McGregor W. Scott announced today the arrest of RYAN DANIEL LEWIS, age 21, of Newcastle, CA in connection with the arson attempt on a commercial building located at 440 Auburn-Folsom Road, Auburn, California. LEWIS was arrested on February 9, 2005 at his residence. RYAN has been formally charged in a criminal complaint with these offenses.

The arson attempt occurred on January 12, 2005 and is believed to have been committed on behalf of the Earth Liberation Front, an eco-terrorist movement. The FBI's Joint Terrorism Task Force (JTTF) is continuing its investigation into this matter.

If anyone has any information concerning this incident, or the incidents that occurred at Lincoln, CA on December 27, 2004, and in Sutter Creek, CA on February 7, 2005, please contact the JTTF at (916) 481-9110.

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